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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to fee calculation and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims

Amend claim 1 as follows:

In claim 1, line 8, please delete "in particular 400 to 600°C."

Please add the following new claim(s).

--7. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the coating is carried out at temperature from 400 to 600°C. - -